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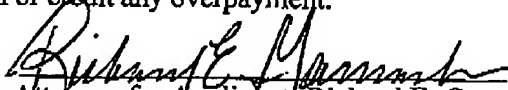
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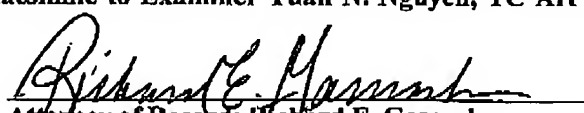
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004 please
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